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To: Drew Nichols
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Dear Mr. Nichols and committee members:

I'm commenting on behalf of Rails to Trails Conservancy, which chairs the Bay Area Trails Collaborative – a coalition of 50+ members organizations aiming to complete a 2,600-mile trail network in the Bay Area. With over 56% of the network complete, 150 of the remaining miles of the network is proposed Bay Trail. Approximately 18 of those 150 miles overlaps with the State Route 37 right-of-way and the Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan area for Resilient SR 37. There is existing unpaved Bay Trail access south of SR 37 from Railroad Avenue to Sears Point and south of the Tubbs Island Trailhead, and the Bay Trail is proposed to continue along SR 37 through to Wilson Avenue in the City of Vallejo.

Can you confirm that the 2024 PEL Addendum retains a 14-foot-wide Class I multi-use path as the minimum design standard for the causeway? Can you explain why the near-term improvements for the Sears Point to Mare Island project do not include a separated multi-use path? Does the near-term project comply with Caltrans' DP-37 and DIB-94? While I cannot attend the meeting, I am looking forward to a response by email and/or enclosed in the meeting minutes.

Thank you,
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